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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Bernhard H. Weigl et al.  
Application No. : 09/888,727  
Filed : June 25, 2001  
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING FLUID  
FLOW RATE IN A MICROFLUIDIC CIRCUIT

Examiner : Lyle A. Alexander  
Art Unit : 1743  
Docket No. : 660115.427  
Date : April 8, 2003

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 8, 2003, please extend the period of time for response three (3) months, to expire on April 8, 2004. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.